- of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin pro-
- (2) was acquired by the Secretary of the Army for the implementation of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin program; and
- (3) is located within the external boundaries of the reservation of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe.
- (c) RECREATION AREAS TRANSFERRED.—A recreation area described in this section includes the land and waters within a recreation area that-
- (1) the Secretary of the Army determines. at the time of the transfer, is a recreation area classified for recreation use by the Corps of Engineers on the date of enactment of this Act:
- (2) is located within the external boundaries of a reservation of an Indian Tribe: and (3) is located within the State of South Da-
- kota. (d) MAP.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army, in consultation with the governing bodies of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, shall prepare a map of the land transferred under this
- (2) LAND.—The map shall identify-
- (A) land reasonably expected to be required for project purposes during the 20-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act; and
 - (B) dams and related structures;
- which shall be retained by the Secretary.
- (3) AVAILABILITY.—The map shall be on file in the appropriate offices of the Secretary of the Army.
 - (e) SCHEDULE FOR TRANSFER.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army and the Chairmen of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe shall jointly develop a schedule for transferring the land and recreation areas under this section.
- (2) TRANSFER DEADLINE.—All land and recreation areas shall be transferred not later than 1 year after the full capitalization of the State and tribal Trust Fund described in section 204.
- (f) TRANSFER CONDITIONS.—The land and recreation areas described in subsections (b) and (c) shall be transferred to, and held in trust by, the Secretary of the Interior on the following conditions:
- (1) RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGE.—The Secretary of the Army shall not be responsible for any damage to the land caused by flooding, sloughing, erosion, or other changes to the land caused by the operation of any project of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin program (except as otherwise provided by Federal law).
- (2) HUNTING AND FISHING.—Nothing in this title affects jurisdiction over the land and waters below the exclusive flood pool and within the external boundaries of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and Lower Brule Sioux Tribe reservations. The State of South Dakota, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, and the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe shall continue to exercise, in perpetuity, the jurisdiction they possess on the date of enactment of this Act with regard to those lands and waters. The Secretary may not adopt any regulation or otherwise affect the respective jurisdictions of the State of South Dakota, the Lower Brule River Sioux Tribe, or the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe described in the preceding sentence. Jurisdiction over the land transferred under this section shall be the same as that over other land held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior on the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe reservation and the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe reservation.

- (3) EASEMENTS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, LEASES, AND COST-SHARING AGREEMENTS.-
- (A) MAINTENANCE.—The Secretary of the Interior shall maintain all easements, rights-of-way, leases, and cost-sharing agreements that are in effect as of the date of the
- (B) PAYMENTS TO COUNTY.—The Secretary of the Interior shall pay any affected county 100 percent of the receipts from the easements, rights-of-way, leases, and cost-sharing agreements described in subparagraph

SEC. 207. ADMINISTRATION.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title diminishes or affects-
 - (1) any water right of an Indian Tribe;
- (2) any other right of an Indian Tribe, except as specifically provided in another provision of this title:
- (3) any treaty right that is in effect on the date of enactment of this Act:
- (4) any external boundary of an Indian reservation of an Indian Tribe;
- (5) any authority of the State of South Dakota that relates to the protection, regulation, or management of fish, terrestrial wildlife, and cultural and archaeological resources, except as specifically provided in this title; or
- (6) any authority of the Secretary, the Secretary of the Interior, or the head of any other Federal agency under a law in effect on the date of enactment of this Act, includ-
- (A) the National Historic Preservation Act (16 Ú.S.C. 470 et seq.);
- (B) the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (16 U.S.C. 470aa et seq.);
- (C) the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.);
- (D) the Act entitled "An Act for the protection of the bald eagle", approved June 8, 1940 (16 U.S.C. 668 et seq.);
- (E) the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703 et seq.);
- (F) the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.);
- (G) the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (25 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.);
- (H) the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (commonly known as the "Clean Water Act'') (33 U.S.Č. 1251 et seq.);
- (I) the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300f et seq.); and
- (J) the National Environmental Policy Act
- of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).
 (b) Power Rates.—No payment made under this title shall affect any power rate under the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin program.
- (c) FEDERAL LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE.—Nothing in this title relieves the Federal Government of liability for damage to private land caused by the operation of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin program.
- (d) FLOOD CONTROL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the Secretary shall retain the authority to operate the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin program for purposes of meeting the requirements of the Act of December 22, 1944 (58 Stat. 887, chapter 665; 33 U.S.C. 701-1 et seq.).

SEC. 208. STUDY.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act the Secretary of the Army shall arrange for the United States Geological Survey, in consultation with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and other appropriate Federal agencies, to conduct a comprehensive study of the potential impacts of the transfer of land under sections 205(b) and 206(b), including potential impacts on South Dakota Sioux Tribes having water claims within the Missouri River Basin, on water flows in the Missouri River.
 (b) No Transfer Pending Determina-
- TION.—No transfer of land under section

205(b) or 206(b) shall occur until the Secretary determines, based on the study, that the transfer of land under either section will not significantly reduce the amount of water flow to the downstream States of the Missouri River.

SEC. 209. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- (a) SECRETARY.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums as are necessary-
- (1) to pay the administrative expenses incurred by the Secretary in carrying out this title; and
- (2) to fund the implementation of terrestrial wildlife habitat restoration plans under section 202(a).
- (b) SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of the Interior such sums as are necessary to pay the administrative expenses incurred by the Secretary of the Interior in carrying out this title.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITION ACT OF 1998

LOTT AMENDMENT NO. 3804

Mr. LOTT proposed an amendment to the motion to recommit proposed by him to the bill (H.R. 10) to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, and for other purposes: as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; AMENDMENT TO 1986 CODE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as "Parent and Student Savings Account the PLUS Act".
- (b) AMENDMENT TO 1986 CODE.—Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- (c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:
- Sec. 1. Short title; amendment to 1986 Code; table of contents.

TITLE I—TAX INCENTIVES FOR **EDUCATION**

- Sec. 101. Modifications to education individual retirement accounts.
- Sec. 102. Exclusion from gross income of education distributions from qualified State tuition programs.
- Sec. 103. Extension of exclusion for employerprovided educational assistance.
- Sec. 104. Additional increase in arbitrage rebate exception for governmental bonds used to finance education facilities.
- Sec. 105. Exclusion of certain amounts received under the National Health Corps Scholarship program.

TITLE II—REVENUE

- Sec. 201. Clarification of deduction for deferred compensation.
- Sec. 202. Modification to foreign tax credit carryback and carryover periods.

TITLE I—TAX INCENTIVES FOR **EDUCATION**

SEC. 101. MODIFICATIONS TO EDUCATION INDI-VIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS.

(a) TAX-FREE EXPENDITURES FOR ELEMEN-TARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL EXPENSES.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 530(b)(2) (defining qualified higher education expenses) is amended to read as follows:
 - "(2) QUALIFIED EDUCATION EXPENSES .-
- "(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified education expenses' means—
- "(i) qualified higher education expenses (as defined in section 529(e)(3)), and
- "(ii) qualified elementary and secondary education expenses (as defined in paragraph (4)). Such expenses shall be reduced as provided in

section 25A(g)(2).

- "(B) QUALIFIED STATE TUITION PROGRAMS.— Such term shall include amounts paid or incurred to purchase tuition credits or certificates, or to make contributions to an account, under a qualified State tuition program (as defined in section 529(b)) for the benefit of the beneficiary of the account."
- (2) QUALIFIED ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION EXPENSES.—Section 530(b) (relating to definitions and special rules) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph: "(4) QUALIFIED ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY

EDUCATION EXPENSES.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified elementary and secondary education expenses'

"(i) expenses for tuition, fees, academic tutoring, special needs services, books, supplies, computer equipment (including related software and services), and other equipment which are incurred in connection with the enrollment or attendance of the designated beneficiary of the trust as an elementary or secondary school student at a public, private, or religious school, or

"(ii) expenses for room and board, uniforms, transportation, and supplementary items and services (including extended day programs) which are required or provided by a public, private, or religious school in connection with such enrollment or attendance.

"(B) SPECIAL RULE FOR HOMESCHOOLING.— Such term shall include expenses described in subparagraph (A)(i) in connection with education provided by homeschooling if the requirements of any applicable State or local law are met with respect to such education.

"(C) SCHOOL.—The term 'school' means any school which provides elementary education or secondary education (kindergarten through grade 12), as determined under State law."

- (3) SPECIAL RULES FOR APPLYING EXCLUSION TO ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EXPENSES.—
 Section 530(d)(2) (relating to distributions for qualified higher education expenses) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
- "(Ď) SPECIAL RULES FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EXPENSES.—
- "(i) IN GENERAL.—The aggregate amount of qualified elementary and secondary education expenses taken into account for purposes of this paragraph with respect to any education individual retirement account for all taxable years shall not exceed the sum of the aggregate contributions to such account for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998, and before January 1, 2003, and earnings on such contributions.
- "(ii) Special operating rules.—For purposes of clause (i)—
- "(I) the trustee of an education individual retirement account shall keep separate accounts with respect to contributions and earnings described in clause (i), and
- "(II) if there are distributions in excess of qualified elementary and secondary education expenses for any taxable year, such excess distributions shall be allocated first to contributions and earnings not described in clause (i)."
- (4) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Subsections (b)(1) and (d)(2) of section 530 are each amended by striking "higher" each place it appears in the text and heading thereof.
- (b) MAXIMUM ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 530(b)(1)(A)(iii) (defining education individual retirement account)

is amended by striking "\$500" and inserting "the contribution limit for such taxable year".

(2) CONTRIBUTION LIMIT.—Section 530(b) (relating to definitions and special rules), as amended by subsection (a)(2), is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(5) CONTRIBUTION LIMIT.—The term 'contribution limit' means \$500 (\$2,000 in the case of any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1998, and ending before January 1, 2003)."

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(Å) Section 530(d)(4)(C) is amended by striking "\$500" and inserting "the contribution limit for such taxable year".

(B) Section 4973(e)(1)(A) is amended by striking "\$500" and inserting "the contribution limit (as defined in section 530(b)(5)) for such taxable year".

(c) WAIVER OF AGE LIMITATIONS FOR CHIL-DREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.—Section 530(b)(1) (defining education individual retirement account) is amended by adding at the end the following flush sentence:

"The age limitations in the preceding sentence shall not apply to any designated beneficiary with special needs (as determined under regulations prescribed by the Secretary)."

(d) CORPORATIONS PERMITTED TO CONTRIBUTE TO ACCOUNTS.—Section 530(c)(1) (relating to reduction in permitted contributions based on adjusted gross income) is amended by striking

"The maximum amount which a contributor" and inserting "In the case of a contributor who is an individual, the maximum amount the contributor".

(e) No Double Benefit.—Section 530(d)(2) (relating to distributions for qualified education expenses), as amended by subsection (a)(3), is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(E) DISALLOWANCE OF EXCLUDED AMOUNTS AS CREDIT OR DEDUCTION.—No deduction or credit shall be allowed to the taxpayer under any other section of this chapter for any qualified education expenses to the extent taken into account in determining the amount of the exclusion under this paragraph."

(f) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—

(1)(A) Section 530(b)(1)(E) (defining education individual retirement account) is amended to read as follows:

"(E) Any balance to the credit of the designated beneficiary on the date on which the beneficiary attains age 30 shall be distributed within 30 days after such date to the beneficiary or, if the beneficiary dies before attaining age 30, shall be distributed within 30 days after the date of death to the estate of such beneficiary."

(B) Section 530(d) (relating to tax treatment of distributions) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(8) DEEMED DISTRIBUTION ON REQUIRED DISTRIBUTION DATE.—In any case in which a distribution is required under subsection (b)(1)(E), any balance to the credit of a designated beneficiary as of the close of the 30-day period referred to in such subsection for making such distribution shall be deemed distributed at the close of such period."

(2)(A) Section 530(d)(1) is amended by striking "section 72(b)" and inserting "section 72".
(B) Section 72(e) (relating to amounts not re-

(B) Section 72(e) (relating to amounts not received as annuities) is amended by inserting after paragraph (8) the following new paragraph:

"(9) EXTENSION OF PARAGRAPH (2)(B) TO QUALIFIED STATE TUTTION PROGRAMS AND EDUCATIONAL INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS.
Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, paragraph (2)(B) shall apply to amounts received under a qualified State tuition program (as defined in section 529(b)) or under an education individual retirement account (as defined in section 530(b)). The rule of paragraph (8)(B) shall apply for purposes of this paragraph."

(3) Section 530(d)(4)(B) (relating to exceptions) is amended by striking ''or'' at the end of clause

(ii), by striking the period at the end of clause (iii) and inserting ", or", and by adding at the end the following new clause:

"(iv) an amount which is includible in gross income solely because the taxpayer elected under paragraph (2)(C) to waive the application of paragraph (2) for the taxable year."

(g) EFFECTIVE DATES.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.
- (2) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—The amendments made by subsection (f) shall take effect as if included in the amendments made by section 213 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997.

SEC. 102. EXCLUSION FROM GROSS INCOME OF EDUCATION DISTRIBUTIONS FROM QUALIFIED STATE TUITION PRO-GRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 529(c)(3)(B) (relating to distributions) is amended to read as follows:

 $\hbox{\it ``(B)} \ \ DISTRIBUTIONS \ \ FOR \ \ QUALIFIED \ \ HIGHER \\ EDUCATION \ EXPENSES. --$

"(i) IN GENERAL.—No amount shall be includible in gross income under subparagraph (A) if the qualified higher education expenses of the designated beneficiary during the taxable year are not less than the aggregate distributions during the taxable year.

"(ii) DISTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS OF EXPENSES.—
If such aggregate distributions exceed such expenses during the taxable year, the amount otherwise includible in gross income under subparagraph (A) shall be reduced by the amount which bears the same ratio to the amount so includible (without regard to this subparagraph) as such expenses bear to such aggregate distributions.

"(iii) ELECTION TO WAIVE EXCLUSION.—A taxpayer may elect to waive the application of this subparagraph for any taxable year.

"(iv) IN-KIND DISTRIBUTIONS.—Any benefit furnished to a designated beneficiary under a qualified State tuition program shall be treated as a distribution to the beneficiary for purposes of this paragraph.

"(v) DISALLOWANCE OF EXCLUDED AMOUNTS AS CREDIT OR DEDUCTION.—No deduction or credit shall be allowed to the taxpayer under any other section of this chapter for any qualified higher education expenses to the extent taken into account in determining the amount of the exclusion under this paragraph."

(b) DEFINITION OF QUALIFIED HIGHER EDU-CATION EXPENSES.—Section 529(e)(3)(A) (defining qualified higher education expenses) is amended to read as follows:

"(A) In General.—The term 'qualified higher education expenses' means expenses for tuition, fees, academic tutoring, special needs services, books, supplies, computer equipment (including related software and services), and other equipment which are incurred in connection with the enrollment or attendance of the designated beneficiary at an eligible educational institution."

(c) COORDINATION WITH EDUCATION CREDITS.—Section 25A(e)(2) (relating to coordination with exclusions) is amended—

(1) by inserting "a qualified State tuition program or" before "an education individual retirement account", and

(2) by striking "section 530(d)(2)" and inserting "section 529(c)(3)(B) or 530(d)(2)".

(d) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Section 529(c)(3)(A) is amended by striking "section 72(b)" and inserting "section 72".

(e) EFFECTIVE DATES.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.
- (2) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—The amendment made by subsection (d) shall take effect as if included in the amendments made by section 211 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997.

SEC. 103. EXTENSION OF EXCLUSION FOR EM-PLOYER-PROVIDED EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 127(d) (relating to termination of exclusion for educational assistance programs) is amended by striking "May 31, 2000" and inserting "December 31, 2002".
- (b) REPEAL OF LIMITATION ON GRADUATE EDU-CATION.—The last sentence of section 127(c)(1) (defining educational assistance) is amended by striking ", and such term also does not include any payment for, or the provision of any benefits with respect to, any graduate level course of a kind normally taken by an individual pursuing a program leading to a law, business, medical, or other advanced academic or professional degree".
 - (c) EFFECTIVE DATES.—
- (1) EXTENSION.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to expenses paid with respect to courses beginning after May 31, 2000.
- (2) GRADUATE EDUCATION.—The amendment made by subsection (b) shall apply to expenses paid with respect to courses beginning after December 31, 1997.

SEC. 104. ADDITIONAL INCREASE IN ARBITRAGE REBATE EXCEPTION FOR GOVERN-MENTAL BONDS USED TO FINANCE EDUCATION FACILITIES.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 148(f)(4)(D)(vii) (relating to increase in exception for bonds financing public school capital expenditures) is amended by striking "\$5,000,000" the second place it appears and inserting "\$10,000,000".
- (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to obligations issued after December 31, 1998.

SEC. 105. EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN AMOUNTS RE-CEIVED UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH CORPS SCHOLARSHIP PRO-GRAM.

- (a) In General.—Section 117(c) (relating to the exclusion from gross income amounts received as a qualified scholarship) is amended—
- (1) by striking "Subsections (a)" and inserting the following:
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), subsections (a)"; and
- (2) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- "(2) NATIONAL HEALTH CORPS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any amount received by an individual under the

National Health Corps Scholarship Program under section 338A(g)(1)(A) of the Public Health Service Act.''
(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply to amounts received in taxable years beginning after December 31, 1993.

TITLE II—REVENUE

SEC. 201. CLARIFICATION OF DEDUCTION FOR DEFERRED COMPENSATION.

- (a) In GENERAL.—Section 404(a) (relating to deduction for contributions of an employer to an employee's trust or annuity plan and compensation under a deferred-payment plan) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- "(11) DETERMINATIONS RELATING TO DEFERRED COMPENSATION.—
- "(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of determining under this section—
- "(i) whether compensation of an employee is deferred compensation, and
- "(ii) when deferred compensation is paid,
- no amount shall be treated as received by the employee, or paid, until it is actually received by the employee.
- "(B) EXCEPTION.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to severance pay."
 - (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years ending after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- (2) CHANGE IN METHOD OF ACCOUNTING.—In the case of any taxpayer required by the amend-

- ment made by subsection (a) to change its method of accounting for its first taxable year ending after the date of the enactment of this Act—
- (A) such change shall be treated as initiated by the taxpayer,
- (B) such change shall be treated as made with the consent of the Secretary of the Treasury,
- (C) the net amount of the adjustments required to be taken into account by the taxpayer under section 481 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall be taken into account in such first taxable year.

SEC. 202. MODIFICATION TO FOREIGN TAX CRED-IT CARRYBACK AND CARRYOVER PE-RIODS.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 904(c) (relating to limitation on credit) is amended—
- (1) by striking "in the second preceding taxable year,", and
- (2) by striking ''or fifth'' and inserting ''fifth, sixth, or seventh''.
- (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to credits arising in taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999.

LOTT AMENDMENT NO. 3805

Mr. LOTT proposed an amendment to amendment No. 3804 proposed by him to the bill, H.R. 10, supra; as follows:

At the end of the Instructions, add the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Marriage Tax Elimination Act".

SEC. 2. COMBINED RETURN TO WHICH UNMARRIED RATES APPLY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart B of part II of subchapter A of chapter 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to income tax returns) is amended by inserting after section 6013 the following new section:

"SEC. 6013A. COMBINED RETURN WITH SEPARATE RATES.

- "(a) GENERAL RULE.—A husband and wife may make a combined return of income taxes under subtitle A under which—
- $\lq\lq$ (1) a separate taxable income is determined for each spouse by applying the rules provided in this section, and
- "(2) the tax imposed by section 1 is the aggregate amount resulting from applying the separate rates set forth in section 1(c) to each such taxable income.
- "(b) TREATMENT OF INCOME.—For purposes of this section—
- "(1) earned income (within the meaning of section 911(d)), and any income received as a pension or annuity which arises from an employer-employee relationship, shall be treated as the income of the spouse who rendered the services, and
- "(2) income from property shall be divided between the spouses in accordance with their respective ownership rights in such property.
- "(c) TREATMENT OF DEDUCTIONS.—For purposes of this section—
- "(1) except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the deductions allowed by section 62(a) shall be allowed to the spouse treated as having the income to which such deductions relate,
- "(2) the deduction for retirement savings described in paragraph (7) of section 62(a) shall be allowed to the spouse for whose benefit the savings are maintained.
- "(3) the deduction for alimony described in paragraph (10) of section 62(a) shall be allowed to the spouse who has the liability to pay the alimony,
- "(4) the deduction referred to in paragraph (16) of section 62(a) (relating to contributions to medical savings accounts) shall be allowed to the spouse with respect to whose employment or self-employment such account relates.

- "(5) the deductions allowable by section 151 (relating to personal exemptions) shall be determined by requiring each spouse to claim 1 personal exemption,
- "(6) section 63 shall be applied as if such spouses were not married, and
- "(7) each spouse's share of all other deductions (including the deduction for personal exemptions under section 151(c)) shall be determined by multiplying the aggregate amount thereof by the fraction—
- "(A) the numerator of which is such spouse's adjusted gross income, and
- "(B) the denominator of which is the combined adjusted gross incomes of the 2 spouses.

Any fraction determined under paragraph (7) shall be rounded to the nearest percentage point.

- "(d) TREATMENT OF CREDITS.—Credits shall be determined (and applied against the joint liability of the couple for tax) as if the spouses had filed a joint return.
- "(e) TREATMENT AS JOINT RETURN.—Except as otherwise provided in this section or in the regulations prescribed hereunder, for purposes of this title (other than sections 1 and 63(c)) a combined return under this section shall be treated as a joint return.
- "(f) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out this section.".
- (b) UNMARRIED RATE MADE APPLICABLE.— So much of subsection (c) of section 1 of such Code as precedes the table is amended to read as follows:
- "(c) SEPARATE OR UNMARRIED RETURN RATE.—There is hereby imposed on the taxable income of every individual (other than a married individual (as defined in section 7703) filing a joint return or a separate return, a surviving spouse as defined in section 2(a), or a head of household as defined in section 2(b)) a tax determined in accordance with the following table:".
- (c) BASIC STANDARD DEDUCTION FOR UNMARRIED INDIVIDUALS MADE APPLICABLE.—Subparagraph (C) of section 63(c)(2) of such Code is amended to read as follows:
- ''(C) \$3,000 in the case of an individual who is not—
- "(i) a married individual filing a joint return or a separate return,
 - "(ii) a surviving spouse, or
 - "(iii) a head of household, or"
- (d) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subpart B of part II of subchapter A of chapter 61 of such Code is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 6013 the following:
- "Sec. 6013A. Combined return with separate rates."
- (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning January 1, 2000.

LOTT AMENDMENT NO. 3806

Mr. LOTT proposed an amendment to amendment No. 3805 proposed by him to the bill, H.R. 10, supra; as follows:

Strike all after the first word and insert the following:

SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Marriage Tax Elimination Act".

SEC. 2. COMBINED RETURN TO WHICH UNMARRIED RATES APPLY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart B of part II of subchapter A of chapter 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to income tax returns) is amended by inserting after section 6013 the following new section:

"SEC. 6013A. COMBINED RETURN WITH SEPARATE RATES.

"(a) GENERAL RULE.-A husband and wife may make a combined return of income taxes under subtitle A under which-

(1) a separate taxable income is determined for each spouse by applying the rules provided in this section, and

(2) the tax imposed by section 1 is the aggregate amount resulting from applying the separate rates set forth in section 1(c) to each such taxable income.

(b) TREATMENT OF INCOME.—For purposes

of this section-

- (1) earned income (within the meaning of section 911(d)), and any income received as a pension or annuity which arises from an employer-employee relationship, shall be treated as the income of the spouse who rendered the services and
- (2) income from property shall be divided between the spouses in accordance with their respective ownership rights in such property.

(c) Treatment of Deductions.—For purposes of this section—

- '(1) except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the deductions allowed by section 62(a) shall be allowed to the spouse treated as having the income to which such deductions relate.
- (2) the deduction for retirement savings described in paragraph (7) of section 62(a) shall be allowed to the spouse for whose benefit the savings are maintained.

(3) the deduction for alimony described in paragraph (10) of section 62(a) shall be allowed to the spouse who has the liability to

pay the alimony,

- (4) the deduction referred to in paragraph (16) of section 62(a) (relating to contributions to medical savings accounts) shall be allowed to the spouse with respect to whose employment or self-employment such account relates,
- '(5) the deductions allowable by section 151 (relating to personal exemptions) shall be determined by requiring each spouse to claim 1 personal exemption,

'(6) section 63 shall be applied as if such spouses were not married, and

- '(7) each spouse's share of all other deductions (including the deduction for personal exemptions under section 151(c)) shall be determined by multiplying the aggregate amount thereof by the fraction-
- "(A) the numerator of which is such spouse's adjusted gross income, and
- (B) the denominator of which is the combined adjusted gross incomes of the 2 spouses.

Any fraction determined under paragraph (7) shall be rounded to the nearest percentage

'(d) TREATMENT OF CREDITS.—Credits shall be determined (and applied against the joint liability of the couple for tax) as if the spouses had filed a joint return.

(e) TREATMENT AS JOINT RETURN.—Except as otherwise provided in this section or in the regulations prescribed hereunder, for purposes of this title (other than sections 1 and 63(c)) a combined return under this section shall be treated as a joint return.
"(f) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall

prescribe such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out this sec-

tion.

(b) UNMARRIED RATE MADE APPLICABLE.-So much of subsection (c) of section 1 of such Code as precedes the table is amended to read as follows:

(c) SEPARATE OR UNMARRIED RETURN -There is hereby imposed on the taxable income of every individual (other than a married individual (as defined in section 7703) filing a joint return or a separate return, a surviving spouse as defined in section 2(a), or a head of household as defined in section 2(b)) a tax determined in accordance with the following table:"

(c) BASIC STANDARD DEDUCTION FOR UNMAR-RIED INDIVIDUALS MADE APPLICABLE.—Subparagraph (C) of section 63(c)(2) of such Code is amended to read as follows:

'(C) \$3,000 in the case of an individual who is not-

"(i) a married individual filing a joint return or a separate return,

"(ii) a surviving spouse, or

"(iii) a head of household, or'

(d) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subpart B of part II of subchapter A of chapter 61 of such Code is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 6013 the following:

"Sec. 6013A. Combined return with separate rates.'

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

GLACIER BAY MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION ACT OF 1998

MURKOWSKI AMENDMENT NO. 3807

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

MURKOWSKI submitted amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 1064) to amend the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to more effectively manage visitor service and fishing activity in Glacier Bay National Park, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

'This Act may be cited as the 'Glacier Bay Fisheries Act'

"SEC. 2. FISHERIES MANAGEMENT.

"Hereafter, commercial fishing shall be allowed to occur in the marine waters of Glacier Bay National Park, except that-

(1) fishing in Glacier Bay north of a line drawn from Point Carolus to Point Gustavus may be limited to the use of longlining for halibut, the use of pots and ring nets for crab, and troll gear for salmon;

(2) the waters of Rendu Inlet, Adams Inlet, and the Scidmore Bay-Hugh Miller Inlet-Charpentier Inlet complex shall be closed to commercial fishing; and,

'(3) fishing for Dungeness crab shall be permitted in the Beardslee Islands and in upper Dundas Bay, but may be limited to the number of individuals who harvested Dungeness crab in either the Beardslee Islands or upper Dundas Bay in 1995, 1986 or 1997.

"SEC. 3 EFFECT ON TIDAL AND SUBMERGED LAND.

'(a) Nothing in this Act invalidates, or in any other ways affects any claim of the State of Alaska to title to any tidal or submerged land.

(b) No action taken pursuant to or in accordance with this Act shall bar the State of Alaska from asserting at any time its claim of title to any tidal or submerged land.

(c) Nothing in this Act, and no action taken pursuant to this Act, shall expand or diminish Federal or State jurisdiction, responsibility, interests, or rights in the management, regulation, or control of waters or tidal or submerged land of the State of Alas-

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I am both throwing down a gauntlet and laying down a marker on this subject of fishing in Glacier Bay.

Native Alaskans have used Glacier Bay to obtain fish and other foodstuffs essential to them for many thousands of years, and not long after the United States acquired Alaska, commercial fishing started there also. In all the time since, fishing has caused absolutely no harm to the values that make this area one of America's premier national parks.

Parts of Glacier Bay were declared as a national monument in 1925, to promote the study of flora, fauna and geology of post-glacial terrain. Glacier Bay was ideal for this purpose. When visited by Capt. George Vancouver in the late 18th century it was closed by a geologically recent glacial advance, but by the time John Muir visited in the 1880's, Native fishermen had resumed their age-old practice of fishing here every summer.

In 1939, the national monument was expanded. In 1980, it was expanded again, and most of it was redesignated

as a national park.

Mr. President, just as the Federal Government spoke with a "forked tongue" to Native Americans throughout much of our history, so it has spoken to the Tlingits and to the other local residents who rely on Glacier Bay for their livelihoods and for their sustenance. Throughout the history of government proclamations, local Natives and commercial fishermen have been promised that their activities would be respected—yet a few years ago, the government decided to ignore its promises and began a concerted effort to banish both commercial and subsistence fishing.

It has been aided and abetted by some of the sleaziest tactics I have ever seen-a network of half-truths and outright lies about the fisheries, the fishermen, and about our efforts to save them.

Mr. President, this is just plain wrong. It is an affront to every American who believes the government's promises should be worth something, and there are still a few of us left, despite everything.

I had hopes that reasonable people could work this issue out. Indeed, earlier this year I delayed further action on my own efforts to craft compromise legislation in order to allow additional time to the fishermen, State of Alaska representatives and others who have been trying to develop a consensus.

Unfotunately, these efforts have been stymied by the refusal of the national environmental organizations to agree to fair treatment of these historical users. For that reason, I supported putting a one-year regulatory moratorium into the Interior appropriation, so as to allow additional time to work on this issue at the local level.

Regrettably, the Department of the Interior and its allies are not willing to continue working toward a consensus. Instead, they refused to accept the moratorium language, and insisted on going forward with regulations to put the fishermen out of business.